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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR Confirmation No.: 4848

PERMITTING A TOURNAMENT GAME ON DIFFERENT COMPUTING PLATFORMS

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Dear Sir:

The reference listed in the attached PTO/SB/08a Form, a copy of which is attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit this reference in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make this reference of official record in this application.

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